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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
**James E. Johnson, Neil R. Picha, and Mitchel J. Doktycz**

For: **HYBRID VALVE APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR FLUID HANDLING**

Application Elements:

- ☒ 49 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 17 Sheets of informal Drawings
- ☒ 03 Pages Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney - unexecuted

Accompanying Application Parts:

- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449
- ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Small Entity Statement(s)
- ☐ Other:

Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

	(Col. 1) Total Claims		(Col. 2) Claims in Excess	(Col. 3) Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
TOTAL	62	MINUS	20	= 42	x 18 =	756
INDEP.	04	MINUS	3	= 01	x 80 =	80
[ ] First presentation of multiple dependent claim					\$270 =	
Basic Filing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(a)					\$710 =	710.00
TOTAL						1546
SMALL ENTITY 50% FILING FEE REDUCTION (if applicable)						773

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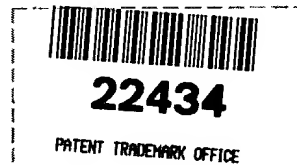
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General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR §1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §1.17 as may be needed to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. INVDP001).

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